

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe March is already here. Today during Mass, our students received ashes which signifies the start of the Lenten season. Over the next 40 days, as we prepare for Easter, let us use this time to grow closer to Christ through fasting, prayer, almsgiving, and volunteering.

As we prepare for Easter, please join us in these activities happening on campus over the next 40 days:

- Adoration: Every Friday in the Church from Noon-5pm
- Lenten Fish Fry & Stations of the Cross: March 7th and March 21st- Register Here
- Passion Walk in the Parish Center April 7th-14th
- Lenten Mission- Locally, we will support the Center for Pregnancy Concerns and internationally, we will support outreach efforts in Karachi, Pakistan. More information will be coming home soon on how we can help these causes.

Class Picture Day

Tomorrow, Thursday 3/6 is Class Picture Day. All students need to dress in their **REGULAR Winter Uniform** (no PE uniform except for PreK). If your child has PE, please be sure to send sneakers in their backpack or a separate bag.

Congratulations to Miss Baltimore

Miss Baltimore was named the SJS-Fullerton Teacher of the Year. Following that, she was entered in the Archdiocese of Baltimore Schools' Elementary School Teacher of the Year Contest and has advanced as one of the top 8 semifinalists! We are so thankful for all that Miss Baltimore does here at SJS and are truly blessed to have her as part of our Wolfpack!

8th Graders Share their Decisions

During the week of March 17th - March 20th, our 8th graders are invited to share their high school decisions by wearing a sweatshirt from their chosen school. We are excited to see where they are headed!

Cyber Security Update

An updated communication regarding the status of the PowerSchool breach and the actions being taken by PowerSchool is available and can be viewed <u>HERE</u>.

Goodbyes and Best Wishes

We are so thankful for our faculty and each year it is hard to say goodbye to those that will not be returning. This year is no different. We are sad to share that the following faculty will not be returning, but we wish them all the best!!

- Mr. Toole will be retiring to take on the full-time gig of Grandpa
- Mrs. Bolyard will be moving out of state following this school year

Germs, Germs Germs- We recently have had a lot of sick students. In an effort to keep everyone as healthy as possible, we ask to keep the following in mind:

~ Do not send students to school if they are sick.

- ~ Sick individuals should stay home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever without the use of fever-reducing drugs like acetaminophen (Tylenol). Keeping children with a fever at home will reduce the number of people who may get infected.
- ~ Wash hands frequently
- ~ Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing
- ~ Know the signs and symptoms of the flu. Symptoms of the flu include fever (100 °F, 37.8 ° C or greater), cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, and lethargic. Some people may also vomit or have diarrhea.
- ~ If your child exhibits symptoms associated with influenza such as a fever (100 °F or higher), please consult your primary care physician for evaluation.

Looking Ahead:

3/5 Ash Wednesday and Bill's Seafood Sale- Pick up dinner tonight and a portion will be donated back to SJS-Fullerton!

3/6 Class Picture Day

3/7 Report Cards Emailed and HS Registration Deadline for Current 8th Graders

3/8 2nd Grade's First Reconciliation and HASA Son Event

3/9 School Mass at 10:30am - Please join us!

3/10-3/14 6th Grade at NorthBay

This week is the Al Hahn Basketball Tournament at St. Ursula School. If you want to cheer on any of our teams, <u>click here</u> to view the schedule! Go Wolfpack!

New Announcements



Frozen Jr. Tickets on Sale

The St. Joseph School Drama Club presents *Frozen Jr.* on Friday, March 28th at Archbishop Curley High School at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 per person. Flowers and concessions will be available for sale. Don't miss out on this amazing performance! Purchase tickets here!



HASA Spirit Night 3/19

Join your St. Joe's friends at El Salto in Perry Hall on Wednesday, March 19th from 5:00pm-9:00pm. A portion of your check will be donated back to St. Joe's. Just mention St. Joseph School when you dine in or carry out. Enjoy!



Volunteers are needed for our Lower School Open House to provide grade-specific tours of 1st, 2nd, and 5th grades on Monday, March 31st. Talking points will be provided. Tours will run from 8:30am to 11:30am. Email Admissions@stjoeschool.org with interest. This is a fun way to showcase our school and earn GIVE 8 hours!

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Lenten Seafood Sale

Stop into Bill's Seafood TODAY on Ash Wednesday to support the Lenten Seafood Sale. Mention you are with St. Joseph's and 10% of your purchase will benefit our school and church.



Stuff a Wolfie is Back

Join us for St. Joe's very own Build-a-Bear experience. This year, you can Stuff a Wolfie or choose to Stuff a Bunny just in time for Easter! Enjoy a fun night, complete with ice cream sundaes! Join us on Wednesday, April 2nd at 6:30pm. Can't make it? Purchase a Wolfie or Bunny kit to stuff at home.

REGISTER HERE by March 12th!

T2 Hot Lunch Make Up Days

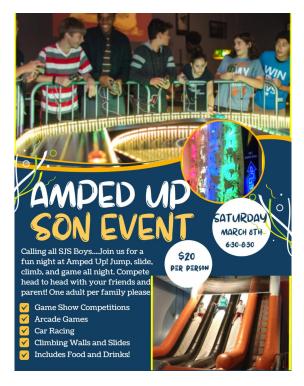
Hot Lunch that was cancelled due to snow days will be made up in April. Mark your calendar for Wednesday, April 2nd for Make Up Pizza Lunch





Joe Corbi Fundraiser

Our Joe Corbi Fundraiser began on Monday. All orders should be submitted ONLINE by Monday, March 17th. Use organization #7896. Orders will need to be picked up in the Parish Center on Wednesday, April 9th between 2pm and 6pm. Every family that sells at least one item will receive an out of uniform pass!



SJS Son Event - Last Call!

Last chance to get your tickets for the SJS Son Event at Amped Up on Saturday, March 8th, from 6:30 pm -8:30 pm! This is the perfect opportunity to bond with your son while enjoying an action-packed night of game show competitions, arcade games, car racing, climbing walls, food, and more! Tickets are \$20 per person. Order your tickets HERE. Only one adult per family please. Registration closes TOMORROW, 3/6.

T3 Hot Lunch - Due By Midnight!

Hot Lunch ordering for the remainder of the year will be open through midnight tonight. We will continue to offer Subway on Tuesdays, Dominick's Pizza on Wednesdays, and Chick-fil-A on Thursdays. Please submit one order per child here. Please note that this session begins on April 8, 2025.





Hershey Park Tickets

Discounted Hershey Park tickets are now on sale through Friday, March 14th. Don't miss out on this SWEET deal. One day admission tickets are \$50 each (regular \$89.95) and parking passes are \$30 each (regular \$35). Tickets will be delivered in April and are good anytime from April 2025 through January 4, 2026. Purchase tickets HERE.

Inclement Weather Days

Since we have used our snow days, the calendar dates that were previously listed as "Inclement Weather Days 1-3" are NOW SCHOOL DAYS, meaning we WILL HAVE SCHOOL on March 24th, April 4th and May 12th.

Important Dates

THURSDAY, 3/6

- Chick-fil-A Hot Lunch (Pre-orders only)
- Class Picture Day

FRIDAY, 3/7

- High School Registration Deadline
- Report Cards Emailed
- · Lenten Fish Fry at 5pm

SATURDAY, 3/8

- 2nd Grade First Reconciliation 10am
- HASA Son Event at Amped Up at 6:30pm

SUNDAY, 3/9

Second Sunday School Mass at 10:30am

MONDAY, 3/10

• 6th Grade to NorthBay through 3/14

TUESDAY, 3/11

• Subway Hot Lunch (Pre-orders only)

WEDNESDAY, 3/12

- Dominick's Pizza Hot Lunch (Pre-orders only)
- Last Day to Purchase Stuff a Wolfie/Bunny Tickets

THURSDAY, 3/13

Chick-fil-A Hot Lunch (Pre-orders only)

FRIDAY, 3/14

- 6th Grade Returns from NorthBay
- Hershey Park Ticket Sale Ends

Looking Ahead:

March 28th - Drama Club Performs Frozen Jr. at 6:30pm

April 2nd - T2 Hot Lunch Make Up Day for Pizza and Stuff a Wolfie/Bunny

April 3rd - T2 Hot Lunch Make Up Day for Chick-fil-A

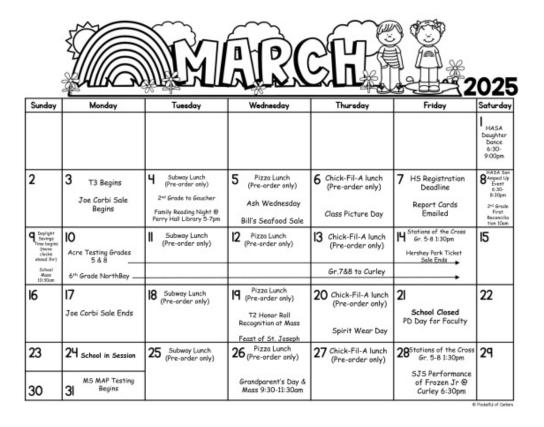
April 8th - T3 Hot Lunch Session Begins

April 9th - Joe Corbi's Pick Up 2pm-6pm

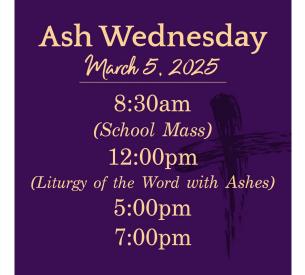
April 11th - Orioles vs. Blue Jays Game at 7:05pm

2024-2025 Key Dates

FULL-YEAR CALENDAR







We look forward to seeing you on Ash Wednesday at one of the following times:

8:30am - School Mass 12:00pm - Liturgy of the Word with Ashes 5:00pm 7:00pm



Lenten Fish Fry Dates

We are pleased to offer 2 dates this year. Parish Hall doors open at 5pm. Advanced registration recommended. Tickets will also be available at the door. Click on the desired date below to view the menu and register online:

- Friday, March 7th
- Friday, March 21st

All students who attend at least one of the Fish Fry dates will receive an out of uniform pass (1 pass max per student). Following dinner, join us for Stations of the Cross in the Church at 7pm. Carryout also available.

8th Grade volunteers are needed and will earn an additional out of uniform pass for each date they volunteer for. Sign up <u>HERE</u> for the March 7th date.



Fridays in Lent

Join us for Adoration, Confession and Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent.





Pickleball Registration is Open

Middle School Pickleball registration is open! Pickleball is open to middle school boys and girls only. Open Play is available only to those athletes who completed a session already. Cost is \$95 for clinic and \$55 for returning players participating in Open Play. Dates include 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/29, 5/6 and 5/13. No session on April 22nd over Spring Break. REGISTER HERE!

COMING SOON



Coming Soon! Kids' Golf Clinic

Registration coming soon! Two coaches are needed for each group. If you can help, and are VIRTUS-approved, kindly email Mr. Erik Cartwright.

Grades 1st-4th will play from 2pm-3pm and grades 5th-8th will play from 3pm-4pm. Dates include 4/6, 4/13, 4/27 and 5/4.





Calling all PreK through 8th grade students. Fall soccer registration will open on **April** 1st. Stay tuned for more details

Stay in touch by following us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SJAAFullerton

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Fall Soccer Registration

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SJAA Meetings

All are welcome to attend the SJAA Monthly Meetings. Dates include 3/27, and 5/12 at 8pm in the Parish Center Rooms 2&3. To attend via Zoom, email Mike McGuire.

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